

# **Introduction to the Abstract Meaning Representation (AMR)**

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# Why abstract?

- English provides many ways to express even simple ideas.
  - Too many to simply write down a few rules to characterize, e.g., paraphrase alternations.
- For many NLP applications, we want to abstract away from the details of English grammar.
  - What is deeper than syntax? Semantics!

# But hasn't this been done before?

- Long tradition in linguistics and CL of formalizing semantics.
- The key insights behind AMR:
  - (1) statistical NLP needs a semantic representation that is **practical for large-scale human annotation** (sembanking)
    - What is practical? **limited canonicalization**
  - (2) many crucial aspects of meaning can be captured with broad coverage **in a single data structure**

The man described the mission as a disaster.

The man's description of the mission: disaster.

As the man described it, the mission was a disaster.

The man described the mission as disastrous.



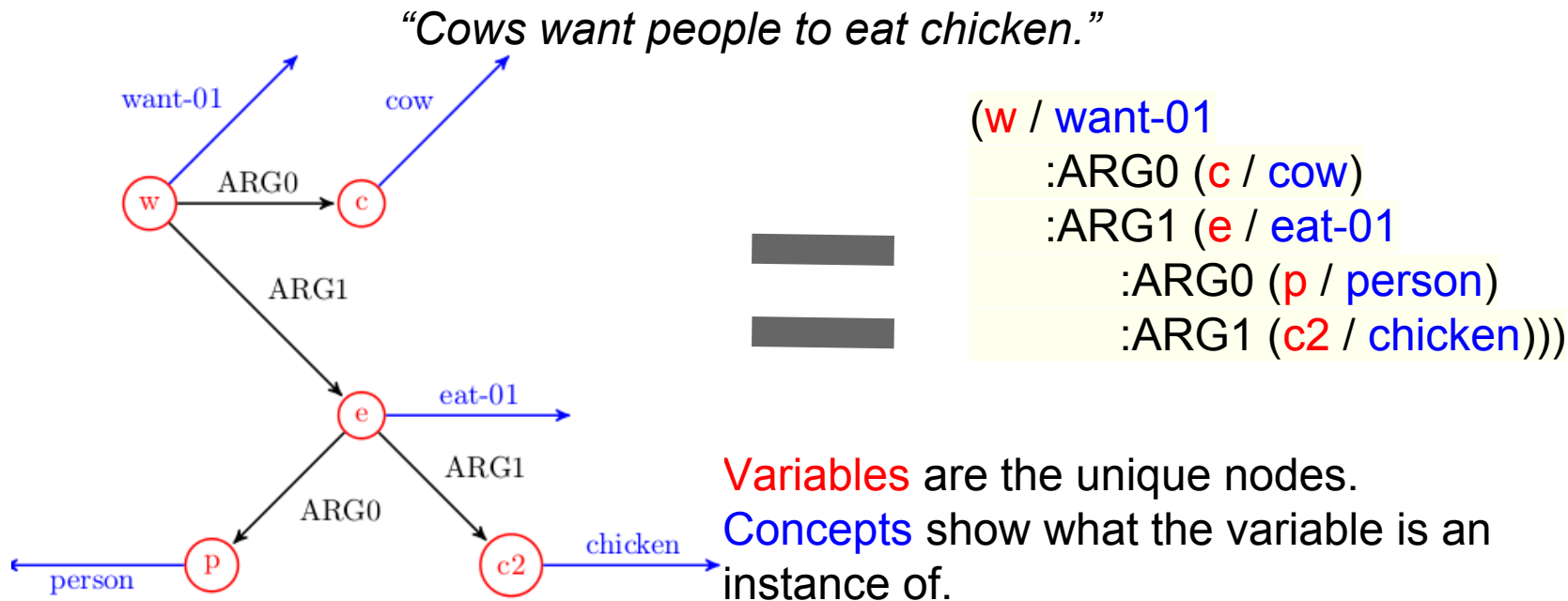
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# Roadmap for Part I of the tutorial

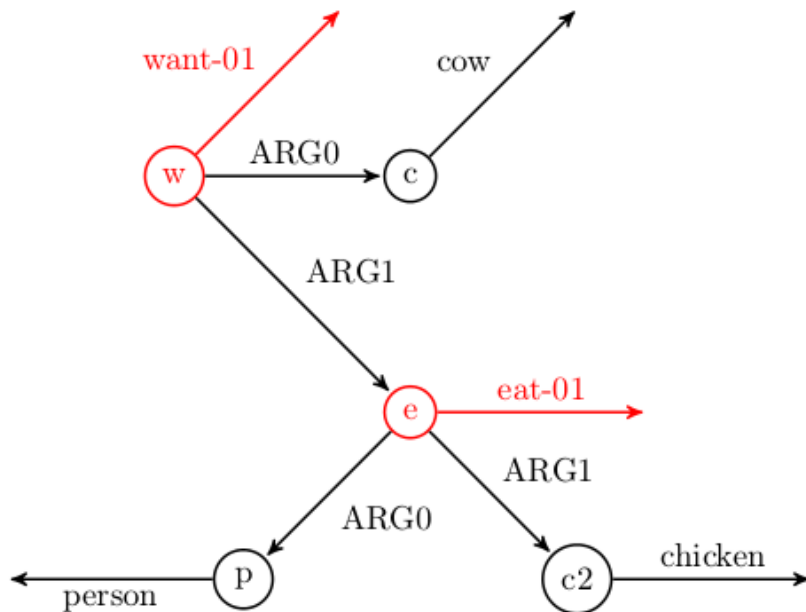
- Fundamentals of the representation
  - how AMR graphs are structured to represent concepts and relations
- Hands-on annotation practice
  - the annotation tool, simple examples
- Survey of linguistic/semantic phenomena
- Comparison to other representations
- Annotation practice
  - more realistic examples

# AMR Notation Format (PENMAN)



# Variables and Concepts

*“Cows want people to eat chicken.”*



(w / want-01

:ARG0 (c / cow)

:ARG1 (e / eat-01

:ARG0 (p / person)

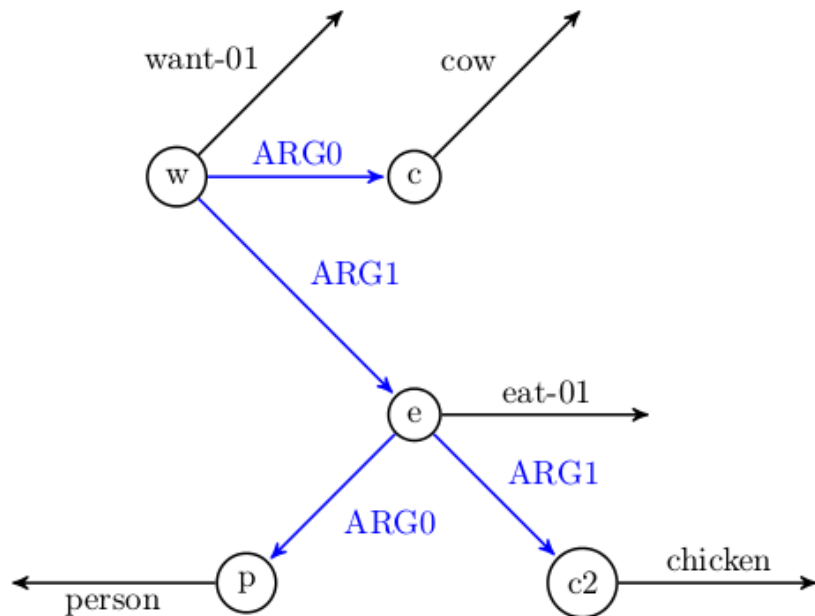
:ARG1 (c2 / chicken)))

Some of the nodes are sense disambiguated (the predicates), dropping tense and aspect.

Non-predicative, unnamed concepts are often left as stemmed words, dropping plurality

# Relations

*“Cows want people to eat chicken.”*



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:**ARG1** (e / eat-01

:**ARG0** (p / person)

:**ARG1** (c2 / chicken)))

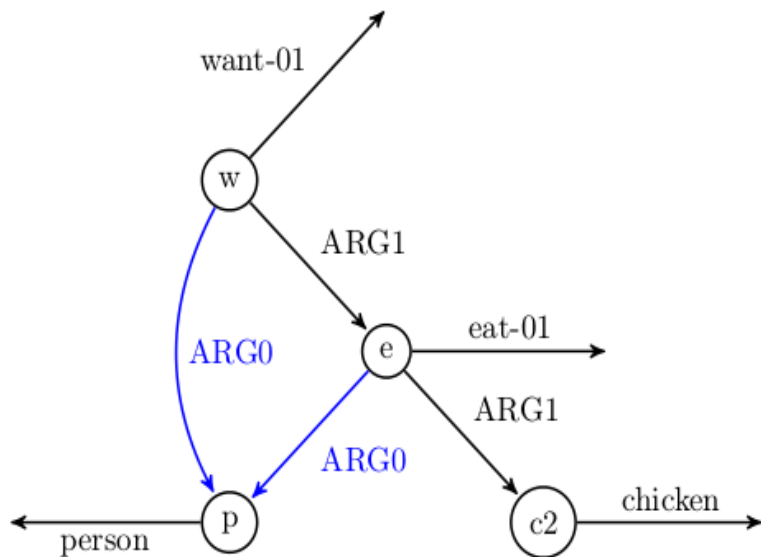
**Relations** are preceded by colons, and can be numbered arguments or more general relations.

The general tendency is that ARG0 is the agent and ARG1 the undergoer.



# Re-entrancies

*“People want to eat chicken.”*

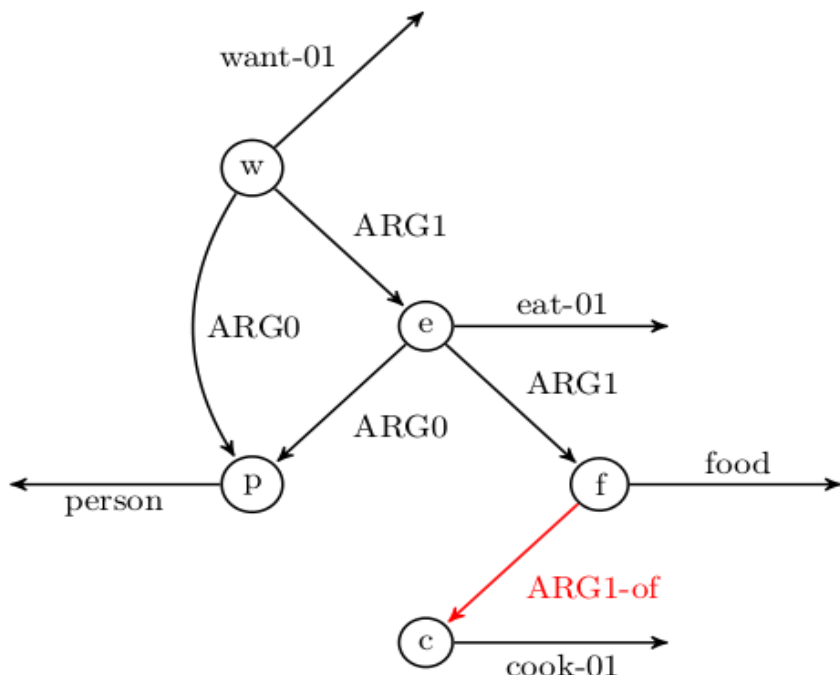


(w / want-01  
:ARG0 (p / person)  
:ARG1 (e / eat-01  
:ARG0 p  
:ARG1 (c2 / chicken)))

Concepts can have more than one semantic role, which are called “re-entrancies”. We represent this by reusing variable names like **p**

# Inverse-of relations

*"People want to eat cooked food"*

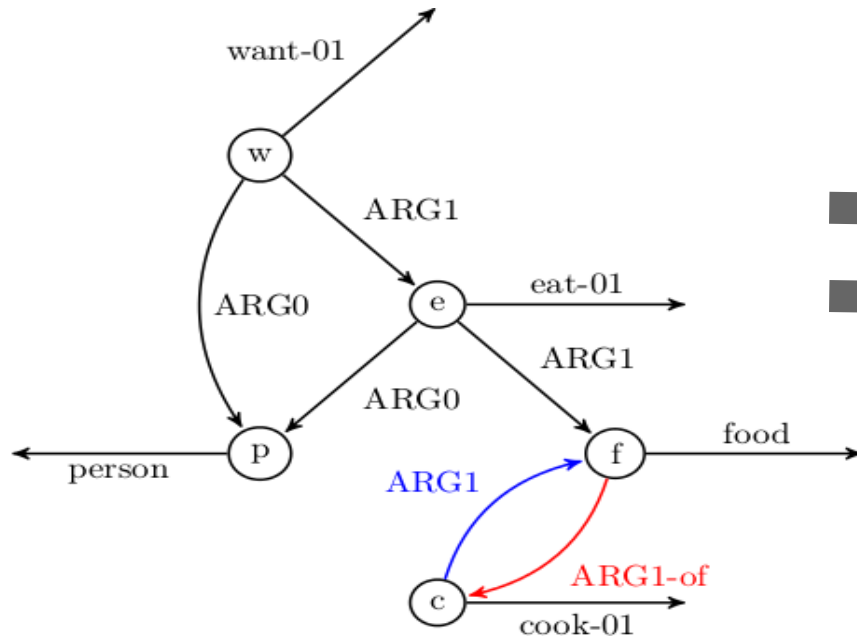


(w / want-01  
:ARG0 (p / person)  
:ARG1 (e / eat-01  
:ARG0 p  
:ARG1 (f / food  
:ARG1-of (c / cook-01))))

For things like relative clauses, the predicate modifies the term using an **inverse** relation, **arg1-of**.

# Inverse-of relations

*"People want to eat cooked food"*



(w / want-01  
:ARG0 (p / person)  
:ARG1 (e / eat-01  
:ARG0 p  
:ARG1 (f / food  
:ARG1-of (c / cook-01))))

These inverse relations could be viewed as just a notational trick - blue and red convey the same meaning.

# Lexicon: what “want-01” and “:ARG0” mean

- AMR concepts are not merely the sentence tokens
- We use an inventory of conceptual frames for predicates: the unified PropBank rolesets.
- The numbered (core) semantic roles are specific to each roleset.

## Lemma: leave (v)

### leave.01 - "move away from"

- ARG0: entity leaving **theme**
- ARG1: place, person, or thing left **source, location**
- ARG2: attribute of arg1

more

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### leave.02 - "give"

- ARG0: giver / leaver **agent**
- ARG1: thing given **theme**
- ARG2: benefactive / given-to **location, recipient, beneficiary**

# Lexicon: what “want-01” and “arg0” mean

Annotators see  
a list that shows  
all possible rolesets  
and what each numbered  
argument means.

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### [leave.04](#) - "leave for"

# Lexicon: What it doesn't cover

- Sense disambiguation only applies to PropBank predicates (mostly events)!
- Other terms are not disambiguated.  
(Excluding named entities)

(o / obey-01

:ARG0 (w / we)

:ARG1 (l / law

:topic (t / thermodynamics))

:location (h / house

:mod (t2 / this)))

# Lexicon: what “want-01” and “:ARG0” mean

Not doing synonym sets: etymologically unrelated terms have different rolesets

fear-01	My fear of snakes
terrify-01	I'm terrified of snakes
creep_out.03	Snakes creep me out

- But we do generalize across parts of speech:

**fear-01**

My fear of snakes	Snakes terrify me
I am fearful of snakes	I'm terrified of snakes
I fear snakes	
I'm afraid of snakes	<b>terrify-01</b>
<b>fear-01</b>	

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(d / describe-01

:ARG0 (m / man)

:ARG1 (m2 / mission)

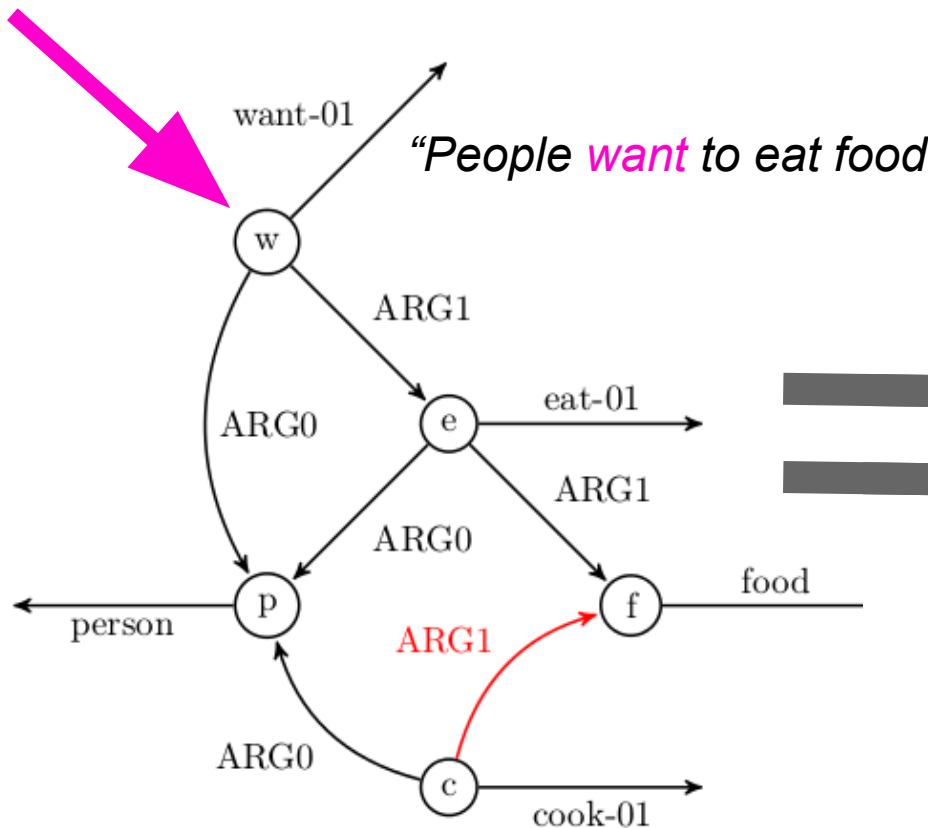
:ARG2 (d / disaster))



# Focus

- Which concept should go on top?
  - Conceptually, the main assertion of (the declarative version of) the sentence.
  - Linguistically, usually the main predication of the sentence.
- The concept on top is called the **focus**.
  - Must be a root (no incoming edges).

# Focus



*"People want to eat food that they cooked themselves"*

(w / want-01

:ARG0 (p / person)

:ARG1 (e / eat-01

:ARG0 p

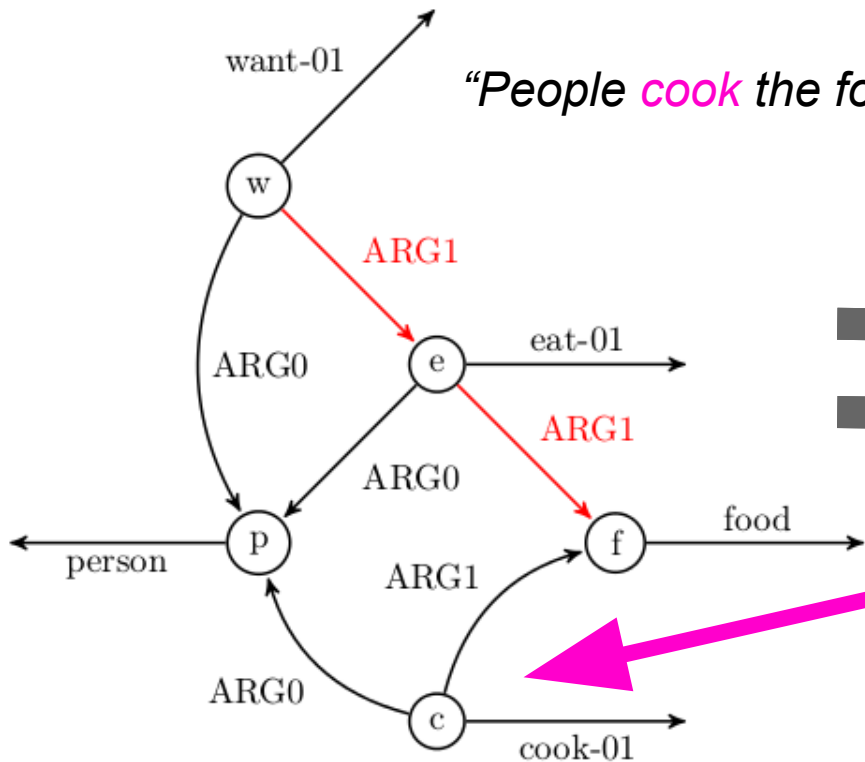
:ARG1 (f / food

:ARG1-of (c / cook-01

:ARG0 p))))

# Focus

*“People **cook** the food that they want to eat themselves”*



(c / cook-01

:ARG0 (p / person)

:ARG1 (f / food

:ARG1-of (e / eat-01

:ARG0 p

:ARG1-of (w / want-01

:ARG0 p)))

# Focus

*“People **want** to eat food  
that they cooked themselves”*

(w / want-01

:ARG0 (p / person)

:ARG1 (e / eat-01

:ARG0 p

:ARG1 (f / food

:ARG1-of (c / cook-01

:ARG0 p))))

*“People **cook** the food  
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(c / cook-01

:ARG0 (p / person)

:ARG1 (f / food

:ARG1-of (w / want-01

:ARG0 p

:ARG1 (e / eat-01

:ARG0 p))))

Propositionally, these are the same! But different emphasis.

# Attribution of properties

Depending on focus, we use special roles **:mod** or **:domain** (these are inverses of each other).

*the tasty food*  
*There is tasty food.*

(f / food  
:mod (t / tasty))

*seeing the tasty food*  
*seeing the food that is tasty*

(s / see-01  
:ARG1 (f / food  
:mod (t / tasty)))

*the tastiness of the food*  
*The food is tasty.*

(t / tasty  
:domain (f / food))

*seeing **that** the food is tasty*

(s / see-01  
:ARG1 (t / tasty  
:domain (f / food)))

# Attribution of properties

Also for attributive/predicative demonstratives and nominals:

*this house*

(h / house  
:mod (t / this))

*this is a house*

(h / house  
:domain (t / this))

*a monster truck*

(h / truck  
:mod (m / monster))

*the truck is a monster*

(m / monster  
:domain (t / truck))

# Non-core Roles

- Non-core arguments: not predicate-specific (not listed in lexicon)
- The boy wanted to go **yesterday**

(w / want-01

:ARG0 (b / boy)

:ARG1 (g / go-01

:arg0 b)

**:time (y / yesterday))**

# Non-core Roles

- Relations that aren't predicate-specific are handled with a large inventory of non-core semantic roles.

:time	:location	:purpose	:frequency
:topic	:poss	:part	:manner
...and many more! The full list is in the handout			



# Non-core Roles

- There is also another kind of numbered argument for things where the number means nothing other than order: **:op#**
- Apples and bananas

```
(a / and  
  :op1 (a2 / apple)  
  :op2 (b / banana))
```

# Non-core Roles

- There is also another kind of numbered argument for things where the number means nothing other than order: **:op#**
- Competition between lions, tigers and bears
  - (b / between
  - :op1 (l / lion)
  - :op2 (t / tiger)
  - :op3 (b2 /bear))

# Constants

String	Numeric
name :op1 "Yoda" :time "16:30"	:quant 5
Named	+/-
monetary-quantity :unit dollar :mode imperative	:polarity - :polite +

# Constants vs. Concepts

- A **concept** is a type. For every concept node there will be  $\geq 1$  instance variable/node.
  - An instance can be mentioned multiple times.
  - Multiple instances of the same concept can be mentioned.
- **Constants** are singleton nodes: no variable, just a value. Specific non-core roles allow constant values.

# Negation

I am **not** a crook.

```
(c / crook
  :domain (i / i)
  :polarity -)
```

# Negation

Negation goes where it is logical:

I don't believe we've met.

(*meaning*: 'I believe we haven't met.')

(b / believe-01

:ARG0 (i / i)

:ARG1 (m / meet-02 :polarity -

:ARG0 (w / we)))

# Negation by morphology

an unhappy cat

```
(c / cat  
  :mod (h / happy :polarity -))
```

illegible writing

```
(t / thing  
  :ARG1-of (w / write-01  
    :manner (l / legible :polarity -)))
```

# Stemming plain concepts

- Non-event concepts are simply stemmed (drop plurality, articles)

cats  
a cat  
the cat  
the cats

(c / cat)



# Entities

- Proper names are represented with a name node

“Viacom”

(c / company  
:name (n / name :op1 “Viacom”))

“Barack Obama”

(p / person  
:name (n / name :op1 “Barack” :op2 “Obama”))

- The words of the name are **string constants**
- <entity\_type> :name <name\_node>

# Entities

“Viacom”

(c / company  
:name (n / name :op1 “Viacom”))  
:wiki Viacom

“Barack Obama”

(p / person  
:name (n / name :op1 “Barack” :op2 “Obama”)  
:wiki Barack\_Obama

- Wikification (:wiki <page\_name>) in followup annotation pass

# Entities

- An **ontology of entity types** is used *only if you do not have a more specific term in the sentence*.
- If **a specific descriptor is present**, we just use that word instead of finding **the closest concept in the ontology**.

*“a Ford”*

(v / vehicle

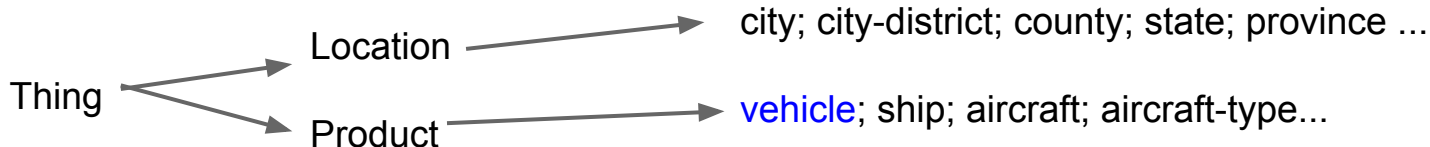
:name (n / name :op1 “Ford”))

*“a Ford **truck**”*

(t / truck

:name (n / name :op1 “Ford”))

- Ontology is large (100+ types) and hierarchical:



# Entities

- There are also special entities that allow us to do very structured annotation of measurable quantities.
- **“Tuesday the 19th” “five bucks” “\$3 / gallon”**

(d / date-entity

:weekday Tuesday

:day 19

(m / monetary-quantity

:unit dollar

:quant 5)

(r / rate-entity-91

:ARG1 (m / monetary-quantity

:unit dollar

:quant 3 )

:ARG2 (v / volume-quantity

:unit gallon

:quant 1 )

# Temporal & Value Entities

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:day 19

(m / monetary-quantity  
:unit dollar  
:quant 5)

(r / rate-entity-91  
:ARG1 (m / monetary-quantity  
:unit dollar  
:quant 3)  
:ARG2 (v / volume-quantity  
:unit gallon  
:quant 1)



Designed to be similar to TIMEX normalization

# Pronouns

- **Pronouns with antecedents** in the sentence are just reentrancies.
- **Pronouns without antecedents** in the sentence are just the pronoun (made nominative). “I” is lowercased.

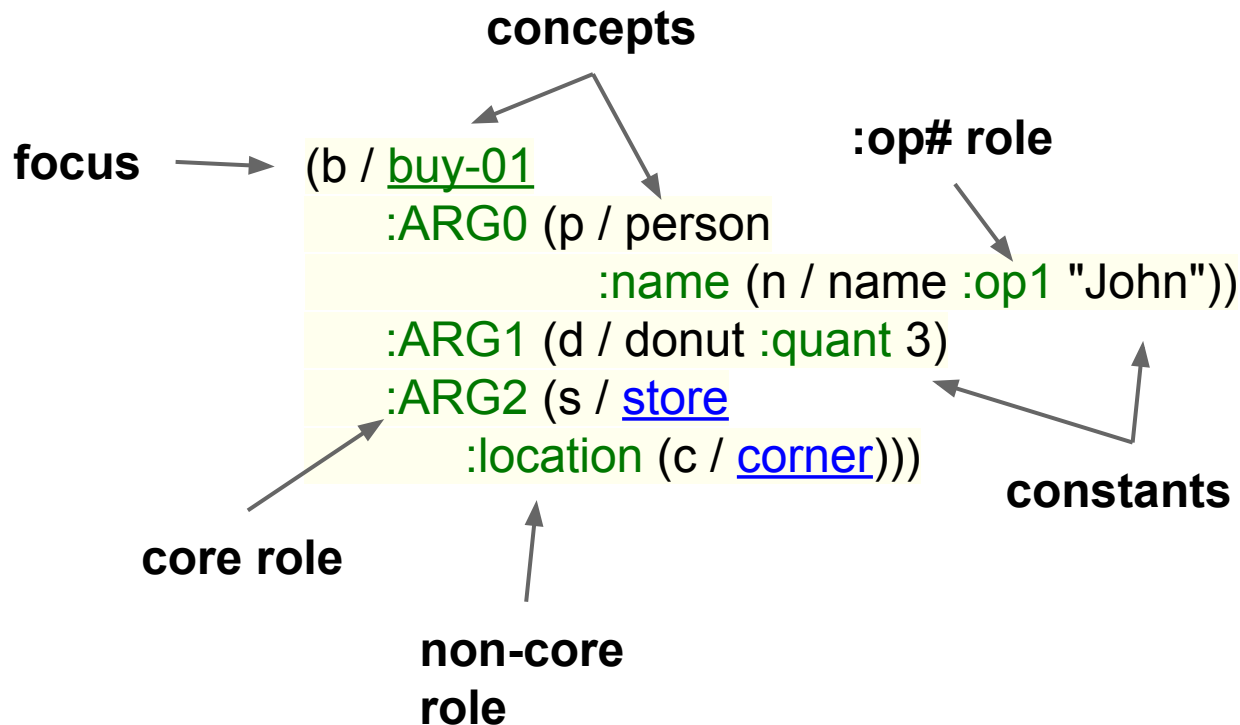
*John<sub>i</sub> asked Mary to tutor **him<sub>i</sub>***

```
(a / ask-02
:ARG0 (p / person :name (n / name :op1 "John"))
:ARG1 (t / tutor-01
:ARG0 p2
:ARG1 p)
:ARG2 (p2 / person :name (n2 / name :op1 "Mary")))
```

*Mary was asked to tutor **him***

```
(a / ask-02
:ARG1 (t / tutor-01
:ARG0 p2
:ARG1 (h / he))
:ARG2 (p2 / person :name (n2 / name :op1
"Mary")))
```

# So Remember...

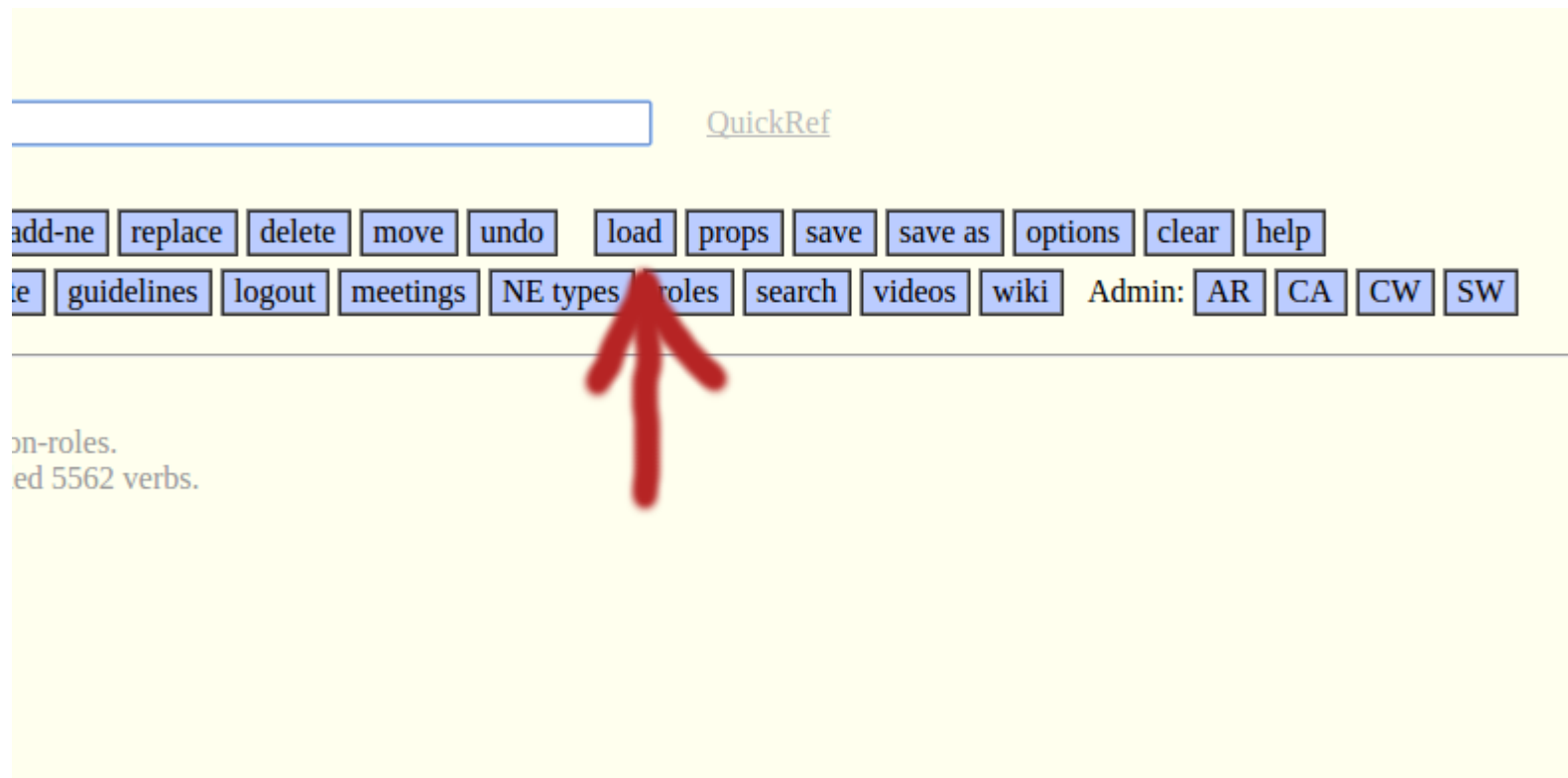


# Hands-On Review Examples!

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We are loading the “NAACL-tutorial” sentences.

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[logout](#) [meetings](#) [NE types](#) [roles](#) [search](#) [videos](#) [wiki](#) Admin: [AR](#) [CA](#) [CW](#) [SW](#)

Workset:  [Load workset at ISI](#)

name (without path): .txt [Load file at ISI](#)

Snt. ID:  [Load ON Sentence](#)

File API.

# Hands-On Review Examples!

“Tim likes to represent semantics abstractly”  
*We'll walk slowly through a first sentence.*

```
(l / like-01
  :ARG0 (p / person :name (n / name :op1 "Tim"))
  :ARG1 (r / represent-01
    :ARG0 p
    :ARG1 (s / semantics)
    :manner (a / abstract)))
```

Enter text command:

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Last command:

r :manner abstract

Or select an action template:

top

add

add-ne

replace

delete

move

undo

exit/load

prop

# Hands-On Review Examples!

“Tim likes to represent semantics abstractly”

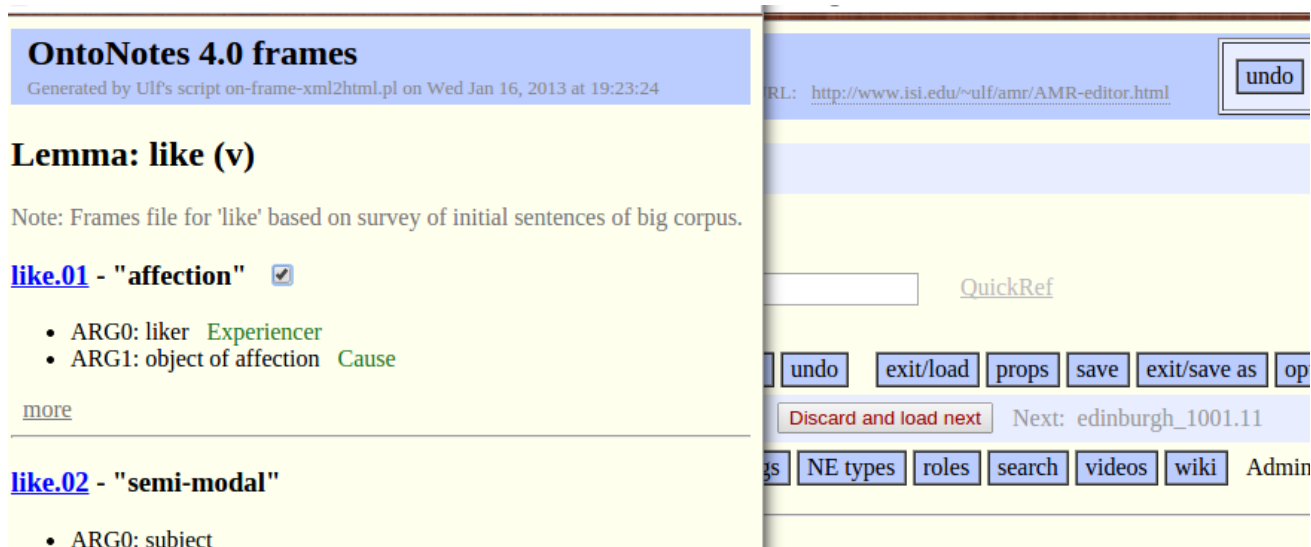
*“top” is how to make the root*

*empty AMR*

Enter text command:

# Hands-On Review Examples!

“Tim likes to represent semantics abstractly”  
*click on “like” to see senses*



The screenshot displays the OntoNotes 4.0 frames interface. The main content area is titled "OntoNotes 4.0 frames" and includes a note: "Generated by Ulf's script on-frame-xml2html.pl on Wed Jan 16, 2013 at 19:23:24". Below this, the lemma "like (v)" is shown, followed by a note: "Note: Frames file for 'like' based on survey of initial sentences of big corpus." The interface lists two frames: "like.01 - 'affection'" and "like.02 - 'semi-modal'". The "like.01" frame is expanded, showing two arguments: ARG0: liker (Experiencer) and ARG1: object of affection (Cause). The "like.02" frame is partially visible, showing ARG0: subject. The interface also includes a "QuickRef" search bar, a "Discard and load next" button, and a "Next: edinburgh\_1001.11" label. A navigation bar at the bottom contains buttons for "undo", "exit/load", "props", "save", "exit/save as", "op", "NE types", "roles", "search", "videos", "wiki", and "Admin".

**OntoNotes 4.0 frames**  
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**Lemma: like (v)**  
Note: Frames file for 'like' based on survey of initial sentences of big corpus.

[like.01](#) - "affection" ☒

- ARG0: liker **Experiencer**
- ARG1: object of affection **Cause**

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[like.02](#) - "semi-modal"

- ARG0: subject

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# Hands-On Review Examples!

“Tim likes to represent semantics abstractly”  
*adding new relations: variable :role concept*

(1 / [like-01](#))

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Last command: replace concept at l with like-01

Or select an action template: [top](#) [add](#) [add-ne](#) [replace](#) [delete](#) [move](#) [undo](#) [exit/load](#)

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# Hands-On Review Examples!

“Tim likes to represent semantics abstractly”  
*Everything after the third term is automatically added as a name*

(l / [like-01](#)  
:ARG1 (r / [represent-01](#)))

Enter text command:

Last command: replace concept at r with represent.01

Or select an action template:

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More:

# Hands-On Review Examples!

“Tim likes to represent semantics abstractly”

*Reentrancies are variable :role variable*

```
(l / like-01  
  :ARG0 (p / person :name (n / name :op1 "Tim"))  
  :ARG1 (r / represent-01))
```

Enter text command:

Last command: l :arg0 person Tim

Or select an action template:

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# Hands-On Review Examples!

“Tim likes to represent semantics abstractly”

*Add the rest and “save and load next”*

```
(l / like-01  
  :ARG0 (p / person :name (n / name :op1 "Tim"))  
  :ARG1 (r / represent-01  
    :ARG0 p  
    :ARG1 (s / semantics)  
    :manner (a / abstract)))
```

Enter text command:

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Last command:

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Save and load next

Discard and load next

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# **Another hands-on example**

“I hope Dumbledore likes my orange socks.”

# **Another hands-on example**

“I hope Dumbledore likes my orange socks.”

# **Advanced Topics!**

# Decomposition into concepts

Other contexts for introducing concepts that don't have words in the data: decomposing complex morphology.

A shoe salesman

(p / person  
:ARG0-of (s / sell-01  
:ARG1 (s2 / shoe)))

The Indian Government

(g / government-organization  
:ARG0-of (g2 / govern-01  
:ARG1 (c / country :name (n / name :op1 "India"))))

# Decomposition into concepts

Other contexts for introducing concepts that don't have words in the data: decomposing complex morphology.

Notice that we turn  
pertainyms like "Indian"  
into the entity they refer  
to

The Indian Government

(g / government-organization

:ARG0-of (g2 / govern-01

:ARG1 (c / country :name (n / name :op1 "India"))))

# Throwing away light semantics

- Superficial syntactic patterns (light verbs, copular constructions, ...) are canonicalized to a standard semantic form.

*“John is nice”*

(n / nice-41

:arg1 (p/ person :name (n /name op1 “John”))

(We don’t allow “to be” at all!)

*“John took a bath”*

(b / bathe-01

:arg0 (p / person :name (name :op1 “John”))

all light verbs convert to  
the nearest verbal sense.

# Reification

be-located-at-91 - "reification of  
:location"

ARG1: entity

ARG2: location

- *the man at the store*
  - (m / man :location (s / store))
- What about: *the man **always** at the store?*
  - Need to “modify” the relation!
  - Solution: Convert (“**reify**”) the relation w/ a special frame
  - (m / man
    - :ARG1-of (b / **be-located-at-91**
      - :ARG2 (s / store)
      - :time (a / **always**)))



# Reification

- Reification also allows a relational predicate to be focused.
- *The man **is** at the store.*
  - (b / **be-located-at-91** :ARG1 (m / man)  
:ARG2 (s / store))
- *I think the man is at the store.*
  - (t / think-01 :ARG0 (i / i)  
:ARG1 (b / **be-located-at-91**  
:ARG1 (m / man) :ARG2 (s / store)))

# Reification

- Every role has a designated reification—either a verb frame or a special -91 frame.
  - **have-purpose-91**, **have-polarity-91**, **have-part-91**, ...
  - ~~have-topic-91~~ **concern-02**
- *These slides **are about** semantics.*
  - (c / concern-02
    - :ARG0 (s / slide :mod (t / this))
    - :ARG1 (s2 / semantics))

# More special predicates

- Special predicates for individual/individual and individual/group relationships.
- *He's a pilot for TWA.*
  - (h / have-org-role-91  
:ARG0 (h / he)  
:ARG1 (c / company :name (n / name :op1 "TWA"))  
:ARG2 (p / pilot))

# More special predicates

- Special predicates for **individual/individual** and individual/group relationships.
- */ am your father.*
  - (h / **have-rel-role-91**  
:ARG0 (i / **i**)  
:ARG1 (y / **you**)  
:ARG2 (f / **father**))

# Copying

One word can result in multiple predicates

I ate a sandwich on Thursday and sushi on Friday.

(a / and

:op1 (e / eat-01

:ARG0 (i / i)

:ARG1 (s / sandwich)

:time (d / date-entity :weekday "Thursday"))

:op2 (e2 / eat-01

:ARG0 i

:ARG1 (s2 / sushi)

:time (d2 / date-entity :weekday "Friday"))))

# Set Operations

We have a predicate “include-91” for sets

“I ate five of the 12 donuts” is processed as “I ate five donut out of a set of 12 donuts”

# This is useful with our “set” predicate

“I ate 5 of the 12 donuts”

```
(e / eat-01
  :ARG0 (i / i)
  :ARG1 (d / donut :quant 5
    :ARG1-of (i2 / include-91
      :ARG2 (d2 / donut :quant 12))))
```

**include.91** - “subset”

**ARG1:** subset (or member)

**ARG2:** superset

**ARG3:** relative size of subset  
compared to superset

# Set Operations

10% of smokers die of lung cancer.

(i / include-91

:ARG1 (p / person

:ARG1-of (d / die-01

:ARG1-of (c2 / cause-01

:ARG0 (c / cancer

:mod (l / lung))))))

:ARG2 (p2 / person

:ARG0-of (s2 / smoke-02))

:ARG3 (p3 / percentage-entity :value 10))

Of the set of people who  
smoke....

... 10% of that set ...

.. are people who die  
because of lung cancer



# Many small additional patterns

- The AMR dictionary has conventions for many special cases.
- For example, “like” can be “resemble-01”:

*If we pull this off, we'll eat **like** kings*

(e / eat-01

:ARG0 (w / we)

:ARG1-of (r / resemble-01

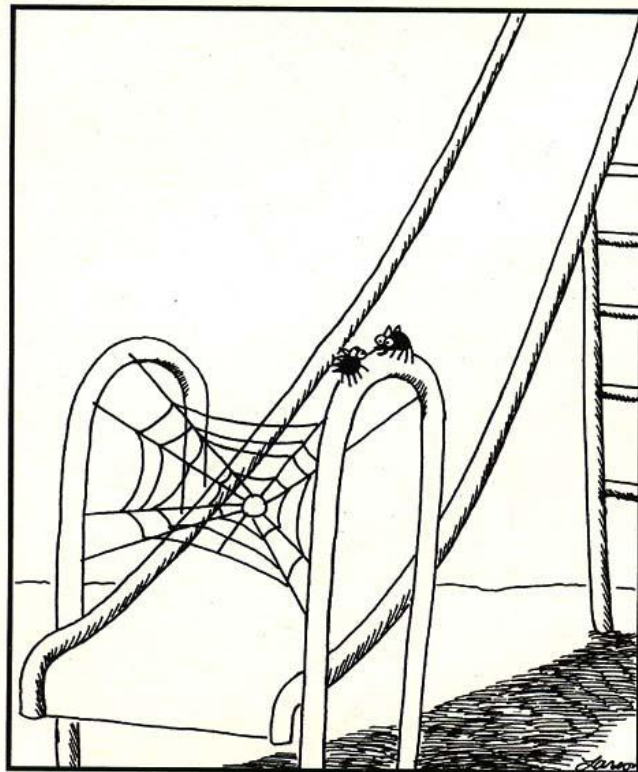
:ARG2 (e2 / eat-01

:ARG0 (k / king)))

:condition (p / pull-03

:ARG0 w

:ARG1 (t / this)))



“If we pull this off, we'll eat like kings.”

# Let's look at real data

```
(n / need-01
  :ARG0 (w / we)
  :ARG1 (b / borrow-01
    :ARG0 w
    :ARG1 (p / percentage-entity :value 55
      :ARG1-of (i / include-91
        :ARG2 (p2 / price
          :mod (h / hammer))))
    :time (u / until
      :op1 (p3 / possible
        :domain (g / get-01
          :ARG0 w
          :ARG1 (p4 / permit-01
            :ARG1 (p5 / plan-01)
            :purpose-of (r / restore-01)
            :ARG0-of (a / allow-01
              :ARG1 (m / mortgage-01
                :ARG0 w)))))))))
a.
```

We need to **borrow 55% of the hammer price** until we can get planning permission for restoration which will allow us to get a mortgage

Nearly identical AMRs:  
we need a loan for 55% of the hammer price  
of the full hammer price, we just need to borrow 55%

# Let's look at real data

(n / need-01  
:ARG0 (w / we)  
:ARG1 (b / borrow-01  
:ARG0 w  
:ARG1 (p / percentage-entity :value 55  
:ARG1-of (i / include-91  
:ARG2 (p2 / price  
:mod (h / hammer))))  
:time (u / until  
:op1 (p3 / possible  
:domain (g / get-01  
:ARG0 w  
:ARG1 (p4 / permit-01  
:ARG1 (p5 / plan-01)  
:purpose-of (r / restore-01)  
:ARG0-of (a / allow-01  
:ARG1 (m / mortgage-01  
a. :ARG0 w))))))))))

We need to borrow 55% of the hammer price  
until we can get planning permission for  
restoration which will allow us to get a  
mortgage

identical AMRs  
until such time as we get permission to plan for  
restoration  
up until we get permits for restoration planning

# Let's look at real data

(n / need-01

:ARG0 (w / we)

:ARG1 (b / borrow-01

:ARG0 w

:ARG1 (p / percentage-entity :value 55

:ARG1-of (i / include-91

:ARG2 (p2 / price

:mod (h / hammer))))

:time (u / until

:op1 (p3 / possible

:domain (g / get-01

:ARG0 w

:ARG1 (p4 / permit-01

:ARG1 (p5 / plan-01)

:purpose-of (r / restore-01)

:ARG0-of (a / allow-01

:ARG1 (m / mortgage-01

:ARG0 w)))))))))

We need to borrow 55% of the hammer price  
until we can get **planning permission for  
restoration which will allow us to get a  
mortgage**

similar AMRs  
permits allowing us to get a mortgage

# English Datasets



**AMR Bank: *The Little Prince***  
(novel; English translation)



**LDC Releases**  
(news, discussion forums, etc.)

# Data

- AMR Bank (Release 1.4; <http://amr.isi.edu/download/amr-bank-v1.4.txt>)
  - English translation of *The Little Prince*, freely downloadable
- AMR Public Release 1.0 (LDC2014T12): largest public release w/ 13,051 AMRs
- DEFT Release 3 (LDC2013E117): evaluation data in Flanigan et al 2014, Wang et al 2015.
- DEFT Release 4 (LDC2014E41): largest release w/ 18,779 AMRs total
- DEFT Release 5 (Sep. 2015) will include wikification, (pretty much) no directed cycles
- Small (100-AMR) sets of Czech and Chinese AMRs have been annotated.
- Vanderwende et al. (2015) data to appear: several languages, automatically converted from logical forms
- PropBank will soon all be converted to AMR style (mapping nominalizations to verbs, etc) and re-released.

# Comparison - Semantic Roles

**AMR:** 70+ non-core roles, many verb-sense specific roles  
(up to 5 args/roleset, more than 10,000 rolesets)

**FrameNet:** large inventory of frame-specific roles

**VerbNet:** inventory of thematic roles

**Groningen Meaning Bank:** VerbNet inventory

**Most others:** small inventory of roles (agent, theme, etc.)

# Comparison - Sense Lexicon

**Groningen Meaning Bank:** (automatic) WordNet synsets

**FrameNet/UCCA:** Mark senses by frame/script, not lemma

**AMR /PropBank:** coarse-grained senses (get high ITA)

**Prague Dependency TB:** valency lexicon rolesets

**Most others:** undisambiguated concepts as predicates



# Comparison - Entities

**AMR:** Rich named entity ontology (100+ types), wikification

**GALE/Ontonotes Annotations:** 29 types, 64 subtypes

**Groningen Meaning Bank:** 7 NE types

**Domain-specific (ACE/UMLS/etc.):** rich; not all entities

**Others:** no entity typing

# Comparison - Alignment with text

**Deepbank; Groningen Meaning Bank:** Semantics linked up to a theory of its derivation from syntax (HPSG; CCG)

**PropBank, Semantic Treebank:** grounded in PTB

**Most others:** Some link to words in sentence

**AMR:** No alignment to text (plan to release a few alignments)

# Comparison - Logic/Scope/Entailments

**Deepbank; Groningen Meaning Bank:** Semantics grounds out in logical formalisms (DRT and MRS, respectively)

**AMR entailment:** linkage between its lexicon and VerbNet may allow rich decomposition

**AMR scope:** No scope of quantification

# Comparison - Size and Quality

**AMR:** 18,779 sentences, goes beyond newswire, fully manual

**Prague Dependency TB:** WSJ in Czech and English, manual

**Deepbank; Groningen Meaning Bank:** Large; automatic parses with human correction/feedback.

**UCCA:** fully manual, 160k tokens

**Rich semantic systems with little affiliated data:** TMR, LCS,

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